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EDITORIAL

By Wallace Williams

In this, the third edition, "The Exodus" becomes more and more a part of our school life.

With each year that separates us from our high school days, "The Exodus" will be a constant reminder of the plays, parties, musical events, and all other activities which have made our stay so pleasant. I am sure that the future classes will find the same cooperation and understanding from the faculty that we have had throughout our high school career.

The 1950 publication ends a very successful school life, and we hope that the seniors to come will be as successful in their endeavors.

Come With Us,
As We Review Our Memories.

IT TAKES GOOD LEADERS



Left to right: Mrs. Fisher, Miss Jackson, Mr. Livingston, Miss Parker. Second row: Mrs. Curtiss, Mr. Wells, Mr. Curtiss.

Gordon C. Flint, Superintendent
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 College

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 B. Ed. Keene Teachers College

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 Shop, Mathematics, Basketball
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 Summer School
 Keene Teachers College

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 of Boston

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 Laconia Hospital '21
 Boston Floating Hospital '25

Beth S. Woodward, Dietician
 Keene Teachers College

Weston Ray, Janitor



ALICE ELIZA BEALS

"Al"

"The ear of the wise seeketh knowledge."

Achievements: Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; State Festival 4; Orchestra 3, 4; Band 3, 4; Senior Play 4; One-Act Play 3; Essay Contest 3, third prize; 4; Prize Speaking 2, 3, first prize; 4, second prize; State Speech Tournament 3, 4; Yearbook 4.

Future Intentions: Keene Teachers College.

BETTY JANE CALL

"Bets"

"A cheerful heart is always a good medicine for others."

Achievements: Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Senior Play 4; One-Act Play 3; Operetta 2; Yearbook 4.

Future Intentions: Undecided.



ANITA RUTH COLBY

"Sandy"

"A woman of understanding holds peace."

Achievements: Glee Club 4; Cheerleader 4; Basketball 4; Prize Speaking 4; Essay Contest 4, first prize; Yearbook 4.

Future Intentions: Radio, William Woods, Jr. College.



EDWARD AUGUSTUS DEXTER, JR. "Ed"

"He that spareth his words hath knowledge."

Achievements: Vice-President 3; Glee Club 1, 2; Basketball 1, 2; Baseball 2; Senior Play 4; Yearbook 4.

Future Intentions: New England School of Watch Repairing.



ELEANOR MAY EDMUNDS "Ellie"

"A good name is better than Riches."

Achievements: Fourth Honor; Secretary 1; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Operetta 2; Senior Play 4; One-Act Play 3; Girls' State 3; D. A. R. Girl 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Yearbook 4.

Future Intentions: Colby Jr. College.

BERTON CARLYLE MURRAY "Bert"

"Sharp as a two-edged sword."

Achievements: Band 2, 3, 4; Senior Play 4; Yearbook 4.

Future Intentions: Undecided.





ROBERT NEILSEN PILON "Bob"

"Every way of a man is right in his own mind."

Achievements: Valedictorian; Essay Contest 1, 2, 4; Prize Speaking 1, 2; Senior Play 4; One-Act Play 3; Baseball 1, 2, 4; Basketball, Assistant Manager 2; Yearbook 4.

Future Intentions: College.

MARILYN JULIA POWELL

"A worthy woman whose price is far above Rubies."

Achievements: Salutatorian; Vice-President 1, Secretary 2, Treasurer 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Essay Contest 2; One-Act Play 3; Senior Play 4; Yearbook 4.

Future Intentions: Marriage.



MARJORIE EILEEN RUDNER "Margie"

"She shall abide among the Wise."

Achievements: Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Essay Contest 4; Once-Act Play 3; Senior Play 4; Yearbook 4.

Future Intentions: Undecided.



JOHN HALL SARGENT "Johnny"

"A poor man is better than a liar."

Achievements: Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4;
Senior Play 4; Yearbook 4.

Future Intentions: Mechanic.

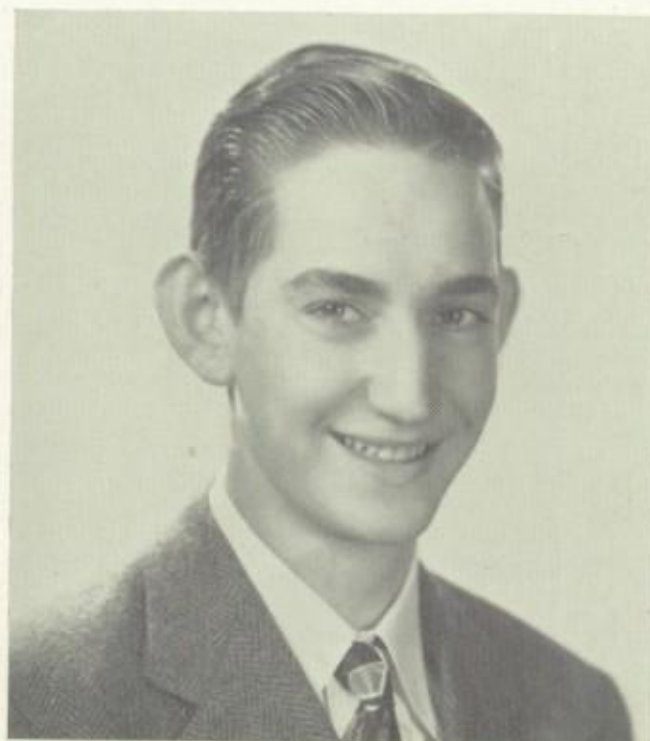


MARILYN ROSE SPAULDING "Red"

"She whose spirit is without restraint."

Achievements: Third Honor; Secretary
4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Operetta 2; One-Act
Play 3; Senior Play 4; Basketball 1, 2,
3, Captain 4; Yearbook 4.

Future Intentions: Katherine Gibbs.



CARROLL LESLIE THOMPSON "Pete"

"He is at peace even with his
enemies."

Achievements: Baseball 1, 3, 4; Senior
Play 4; Yearbook 4.

Future Intentions: Undecided.



SHIRLEY ADOREE WAITE "Shirl"

"Folly of yielding to the wilds of the world."

Achievements: Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Basketball, Assistant Manager, 2; Senior Play 4; Yearbook 4.

Future Intentions: Beautician.

HAROLD LOUIS WHITEMORE "Smike"

"Sincere Observation covers Life and Conduct."

Achievements: Vice-President 5; Glee Club 2, 3, 4, 5; Essay Contest 4, Honorable Mention; Football 2; Basketball 4; Manager 5; Senior Play 5; Yearbook 5.

Future Intentions: Auto-Body Repair.



WALLACE JUDSON WILLIAMS "Willie"

"Happy is the man who finds what he wants."

Achievements: Secretary 1, Treasurer 2, Vice-President 3, President 4; Student Council 4, President; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 3, 4; State Music Festival 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, Captain 4; Baseball Manager 1; Senior Play 4; One-Act Play 3; Operetta 2; Yearbook Editor 4.

Future Intentions: University of New Hampshire.



CLASS OF 1950



Left to right: Shirley Waite, Anita Colby, Marilyn Powell, Treasurer; Wallace Williams, President; Marilyn Spaulding, Secretary; Harold Whittemore, Vice-President; Marjorie Rudner. Second row: Edward Dexter, Berton Murray, Robert Pilon, Betty Call, Alice Beals, Eleanor Edmunds, John Sargent, Carroll Thompson, Miss Parker, class advisor.

WELCOME FRESHMEN



Left to right: Faye Chadwick, Evelyn Carpenter, Elizabeth Willard, Secretary; Bruce Spaulding, President; Verne Barrett, Vice-President; Janet Hodges, Treasurer; Barbara Gay, Shirley Patten. Second row: Annie Rayno, Lucille Cheney, Gayle Bentley, Flora Barton, Eleanor Heath, Judith Gray, Geraldine Davis, Barbara Bickford, Mr. Wells, class advisor. Third row: Glenn Powell, Berkeley Worthen, Robert Stuart, Richard Call, Richard Chadwick, Phillip Bentley, Thomas Davis. Absent: Kay Mason, Vernon Toppin.

WE TRIED TO EDUCATE THE SOPHOMORES



Left to right: Alberta Putney, Jean Weber, Jane Lovering, Secretary: Philip Dow, Vice-President; Dorothy Colburn, President; Laura Homan, Treasurer; Janet Witcher, Emmy Lou Colby. Second row: George West, Kenneth Rich, Barbara Barselle, Dorothy Jaster, Dorothy Roby, Sylvia Huntoon, Vernon Squires, Miss Jackson, class advisor. Third row: Bert Gray, George Edmunds, Phillip Thompson, Richard Wry, Roger Alexander, Gerald Pratt, Donald Chadwick.

GOOD LUCK TO THE JUNIORS



Left to ight: Florence Hill, Norma Cushing, Ella Carpenter, Frederick Rich, Vice-President; Henry Meinecke, President; Norma Oksa, Secretary; Lois Enman, Patricia Heath, Mabel Granger. Second row: Mr. Curtiss, class advisor; Horace 'Whitcher, Jayne Pellerin, Carolyn Smith, Beverly Brown, Elinor Young, Mary Whittemore, Nancy Davis, Imantz Meimers, Mrs. Curtiss, class advisor. Third row: Dallas Patten, Arlen Ayer, Eliot Clemons, Francis Ladouceur, James Moreland, Henry Kidder, Ralph Marshall, Claude Prew. Absent: Esther Hayes, Treasurer.

...Specialties...

ALICE BEALS:	A.E.B. Ambitious Eager Beaver
Peeve:	Lazy People
Song:	Night and Day
Saying:	Fiddle-dee-dee
Pastime:	Cooking
BETTY CALL:	B.J.C. Bubbles Joy Constantly
Peeve:	Poor Dancers
Song:	Johnson Rag
Saying:	Now I Ask You???
Pastime:	Parties
ANITA COLBY:	A.R.C. Always Ring Conscious
Peeve:	Waiting in lines
Song:	Always
Saying:	"Howdy"
Pastime:	Camping
EDWARD DEXTER:	E.A.D. Experienced and Daring
Peeve:	Women Drivers
Song:	Music, Music, Music
Saying:	I Peep My Horn
Pastime:	Sleeping
ELEANOR EDMUNDS:	E.M.E. Eyes Men Enviously
Peeve:	Tall guards
Song:	Foolish Heart
Saying:	Oh Fudge!
Pastime:	Horseback Riding
BERTON MURRAY:	B.C.M. Big Country Man
Peeve:	Teachers
Song:	I Said My Pajammas
Saying:	See What I Mean?
Pastime:	Reading
ROBERT PILON:	R.N.P. Real Nutty Person
Peeve:	French Class
Song:	Whiffinpoof Song
Saying:	Drop Dead
Pastime:	Shining My Shoes
MARILYN POWELL:	M.J.P. Mighty Just Person
Peeve:	Bossy People
Song:	Because
Saying:	Oh Heavens!
Pastime:	Cooking

...Specialties...

MARJORIE RUDNER:	M.E.R. Merely Ever Reserved
Peeve:	School
Song:	Deep Purple
Saying:	I Don't Care
Pastime:	Writing Letters
JOHN SARGENT:	J.H.S. Justa Happy Sap
Peeve:	Chevrolets
Song:	Quicksilver
Saying:	Fog It.
Pastime:	Driving
MARILYN SPAULDING:	M.R.S. Most Romantic Spirit
Peeve:	Staying Home Saturday Nights
Song:	Waltz Me Around Again Willy
Saying:	I Don' Wana!
Pastime:	Teasing
CARROLL THOMPSON:	C.L.T. Cute Little Teaser
Peeve:	School
Song:	Quicksilver
Saying:	"Thank you, Margaret Truman."
Pastime:	Driving
SHIRLEY WAITE:	S.A.W. Shy and Wishful
Peeve:	Staying Out Late
Song:	Sugar Blues
Saying:	Don't Go Away Mad!
Pastime:	Making Bets.
HAROLD WHITEMORE:	H.L.W. Hates Long Walks
Peeve:	High School Kids
Song:	Desert Song
Saying:	Is that, right?
Pastime:	Loafing
'WALLACE WILLIAMS:	'W.J.W. Women Just Wilt
Peeve:	Slow-moving people
Song:	Rag Mop
Saying:	That's all right.
Pastime:	Singing.

Days Past

Class of '45

"Polly" Barrett is a surgical nurse at the Laconia Hospital. Gloria Cricenti is "clerking" at the Cricenti Market. Arrollyn Hayes is married to Robert Vernon and living in Pennsylvania. They are teaching at Penn State College. Phyllis Messer is married to George Cross and living at her home. Horace Palmer is living in Weare and working in Manchester. Margie Roberts, Mrs. Forest Kimball, lives in Londonderry, with husband and two children. "Duke" Rowe is in the taxi business. Bob Wallace and Janis Heald are married and living in town. Bob is working part-time at the Esso Station.



Class of '46

Kay Annis, Mrs. Ken Butler, is living in New London. She has a son "Mike." Fred Barrett is working at Colby Jr. College. Barbara Davis is working in Concord. Marion Cheney is in Maine. Dave Cleveland is working in Boston. Mary Crockett is attending U. N. H. Harry Cross is married and living in Hartford, Conn. Penny Dow is working in Boston. Cathie Edmunds has been spending the winter in Arizona with friends. Raymond Gay is married and living in Manchester. Graham Gordon is employed in Claremont. Ruth Hadley is working in the New London Market Basket. Arthur Heath is working in Claremont. Forest Kimball is living in Londonderry with his wife and two children. Janet Lull, Mrs. Robert MacMichael is living in Elkins. She and Bob now have a son, Bobby. Shirley Nelson, Mrs. Frank Farnum is living at the Colby Homestead. She has a baby daughter. "Ikey" Welch is working in Manchester. "Bud" Wiggins is working for his Uncle, Charles Gay.



Class of '47

John Bickford is living at home. Avon Chadwick is working in Boston. Byrce Cleveland is in the U. S. Navy. Jackie Cricenti is working in the Annex Building in Concord. Jane Davis is living at home. Grace Eydent is working in Concord. Mary Granger is working in a finance company in Concord. Ali-Lou Richards, now engaged, is working in Boston. "Jerry" Cross is working in the Swift Meat Packing Plant in Boston. Janis Lea Heald, Mrs. Robert Wallace, is living in New London. Vincent Lee and Janet Lorden are married and living at her home. They have a baby boy. Vin is working for the New London Cleaners. John Lull is working in Boston. Jerry Stanley is delivering milk for Edgar Knowlton. Charlie Whittemore is employed at the New London Locker Plant. Paula Wood is still in training at Alexandria, Va., and is engaged to be married.

Class of '48

Jane Barrett is telephone operator here at New London. Mary Lue Barton, Mildred Pratt, Gerene Trudeau and Sumner Woodward are Sophomores at U. N. H. Frank Eydent is living at home. Phyllis Carter, Mrs. Wayne Atwood, lives in South Danbury. Ronald Cleveland is attending New England College in Henniker. Marilyn Colburn is in her last year at Colby Jr. College. Edwin Edmunds, Jr., is working for his "Dad" at the Esso Station. "Bill" Hayes is working for his "Dad." "Bunny" Hill is going to Concord Business School. "Steve" Huntoon is working at Little's Garage. Donald Kristl is in the U. S. Marines. Bob Lull is driving oil trucks for Kidder's Garage. June West is in nurse's training at Mary Hitchcock Hospital, Hanover. Roger Williams is working in his father's laundry.



Class of '49

Loren Ayer is in the U. S. Army at Fort Dix. Evelyn Bickford is attending Colby Jr. College to prepare for nurse's training. Marcia Conklin and Joan Crane are "special" students at Colby Jr. College. Nancy Gilson, Mrs. William Sanborn, is living in Wilmot Flat. She and Bill are building a house. Jim Granger is going back to U. N. H. in the fall to take an engineering course. "Doug" Hall is working in Franklin. Priscilla Heald is attending "Margaret's" Beautician School in Concord. "Barb" Holteen is attending Northeastern University in Canada. Jack Homan changed his mind about being a forest ranger. Next fall he is going to Mass. State. Janice Kimball is working in Boston. Danny Kristl is in the U. S. Army. Oland Murray is living at home. "Dottie" Prew is working in the telephone office here in New London. She is engaged to Bob Lull. Jules Pellerin is employed at the First National Store. He expects to enter U. N. H. this fall. Jane Rowe is in nurse's training at the Concord Hospital. Bill Thurston is attending Bates College. Roland Warner is attending Keene Teachers College. Sylvia Woodward is attending Johnson's Teachers College in Vermont.

Basketball Highlights

BOYS'

The boys' team of New London High School began their season under the direction of Coach Wells. At the end of their '49-'50 season they had seven wins to their credit and eleven defeats.

The boys who went out for the team are as follows:: Wallace Williams, Captain; George Edmunds, Henry Kidder, Francis Ladouceur, Horace Whitcher, Vernon Squires, Dick Wry, Henry Meinecke, Bud Prew, Harold Whittemore, Manager; Ralph Marshall, Assistant Manager.

The record compiled by the teams is as follows:

Team	N. L.	OPP.	Team	N. L.	OPP.
Bristol	43	60	Warner	46	43
Warner	41	39	Bristol	49	50
Sunapee	46	49	Goffstown	51	62
Goffstown	61	53	West Lebanon	43	65
West Lebanon	43	66	Hopkinton	41	40
Hopkinton	28	38	Vilas	40	52
Henniker	50	61	Andover	42	37
Vilas	57	64	Henniker	49	57
Sunapee	53	29	Andover	59	32



INDIVIDUAL SCORING RECORD

Name	F.G.	F.T.	TOTAL
Edmunds, G.	118	36	272
Kidder, H.	95	19	209
Williams, W.	57	13	127
Ladouceur, F.	48	24	120
Whitcher, H.	18	21	57
Wry, R.	14	6	34
Meinecke, H.	4	3	11
Prew, C.	1	1	3

BOYS' TEAM



Left to right: Horace Witcher, Henry Kidder, Mr. Wells, Coach; Wallace Williams, Captain; Francis Ladouceur, George Edmunds. Second row: Ralph Marshall, assistant manager; Claude Prew, Phillip Dow, Vernon Barrett, Henry Meinecke, Richard Wry, Vernon Squires, Glenn Powell, Harold Whittemore, manager.

Basketball Highlights

GIRLS'

This year the girls had a very successful season with Miss Jackson as coach, and Mabel Granger as manager. When the season was over the girls had 11 victories and 9 defeats.

The girls' team is a member of the Central New Hampshire Inter-Scholastic League which includes Goffstown, Andover, Henniker, Weare, Sunapee, Hopkinton, and Warner. The Goffstown girls were our league champions.

Girls receiving awards for participating in basketball are as follows: Captain, Marilyn Spaulding, Nancy Davis, Jane Lovering, Eleanor Edmunds, Dorothy Colburn, Sylvia Huntoon, Carolyn Smith, Mary Whittemore, Jane Pellerin, and Mabel Granger, manager.

Here is our actual record:

Team	N. L.	OPP.	Team	N. L.	OPP.
Bristol	28	44	Warner	53	24
Warner	21	25	Bristol	32	31
Sunapee	45	28	Goffstown	18	23
Goffstown	28	42	West Lebanon	48	38
West Lebanon	37	33	Hopkinton	23	18
Hopkinton	52	33	Andover	48	49
Henniker	27	26	Henniker	23	40
Sunapee	37	30	Andover	35	35



INDIVIDUAL SCORING RECORDS

Name	F.G.	F.T.	FOULS	TOTAL
E. Edmunds	123	24	38	270
J. Lovering	72	28	24	172
N. Davis	44	23	11	111
J. Pellerin	9	3	5	21
M. Whittemore	7	1	9	15
J. Witcher	1	1	0	3
A. Colby				

GIRLS' TEAM



Left to right: front row, Jane Loverin, Dorothy Colburn, Marilyn Spaulding, Captain; Nancy Davis, Eleanor Edmunds, Sylvia Huntoon. Back row, Lois Enman, Assistant Manager; Anita Colby, Janet Whitcher, Judith Gray, Elinor Young, Miss Jackson, Coach; Caroline Smith, Mary Whittemore, Jayne Pellerin, Mabel Granger, Manager.

Big Moments

This year '49-'50 brought many happy times to look back to with much pleasure in the years to come and all of us, we are sure, will be sorry to see our high school career come to an end.

Last fall, for the first time in many years a student council was formed after the constitution had been adopted by the student body. The two Senior members are Eleanor Edmunds and Wallace Williams who is president.

The Christmas program was sponsored by the Student Council. It included a pageant, songs, and a Christmas tree, besides other attractions.

The Senior Play, "We Shook The Family Tree" was given on November 4. The play was acclaimed a great success. The cast consisted of Marilyn Spaulding, Marilyn Powell, Robert Pilon, Eleanor Edmunds, Alice Beals, Betty Call, Shirley Waite, Wallace Williams, Berton Murray, John Sargent and Harold Whittemore. Edward Dexter and Carroll Thompson were in charge of scenery and lighting. Marjorie Rudner acted as prompter.

Last fall, New London High attended two Shakespearean plays presented by the Margaret Webster Company at Dartmouth. The plays were "Taming of The Shrew" and "Julius Caesar" and were enjoyed by everyone.

An assembly was presented in October by the Senior English Class which included skits of foreign languages and slang presentations.

The Senior Class visited the Rumford Press in Concord, and saw first hand the varied techniques of printing. This trip was in conjunction with the study of the newspaper.

In the fall a reception in honor of the new girls was held in the Home Economics room. Refreshments were served and a social time enjoyed by everyone.

The Senior American History Class attended Town Meeting in March to see democracy in action.

Senior pictures were taken in November by Vantine of Boston, and Yearbook pictures in February. What a lot of hair smoothing and makeup fixing went on.

Alice Beals and Anita Colby upheld the Class reputation by being among the winners in this year's Prize Speaking Contest.

Senior Essay contest winners this year were Anita Colby, first prize; Alice Beals, honorable mention.

Class honors announced in April, went to Robert Pilot, Marilyn Powell, Marilyn Spaulding and Eleanor Edmunds.

Yearbook ads presented a real problem at one time, but our hopes were finally realized and it looked as if we would have the Yearbook after all.

The Senior trip to New York has been one of the most exciting events of the year. It included a three-day stay in New York with visits to the Statue of Liberty, Radio City, and other important points of the city, and three evening shows. Everyone had a marvelous time.

In June came exams and then that fatal week that ended with —

SCHEDULE OF GRADUATION ACTIVITIES

Senior Reception	June 9	Class Day Exercises	June 12
Baccalaureate Service	June 11	Graduation Exercises	June 13

WHO'S WHO

In the Senior Class

GIRL

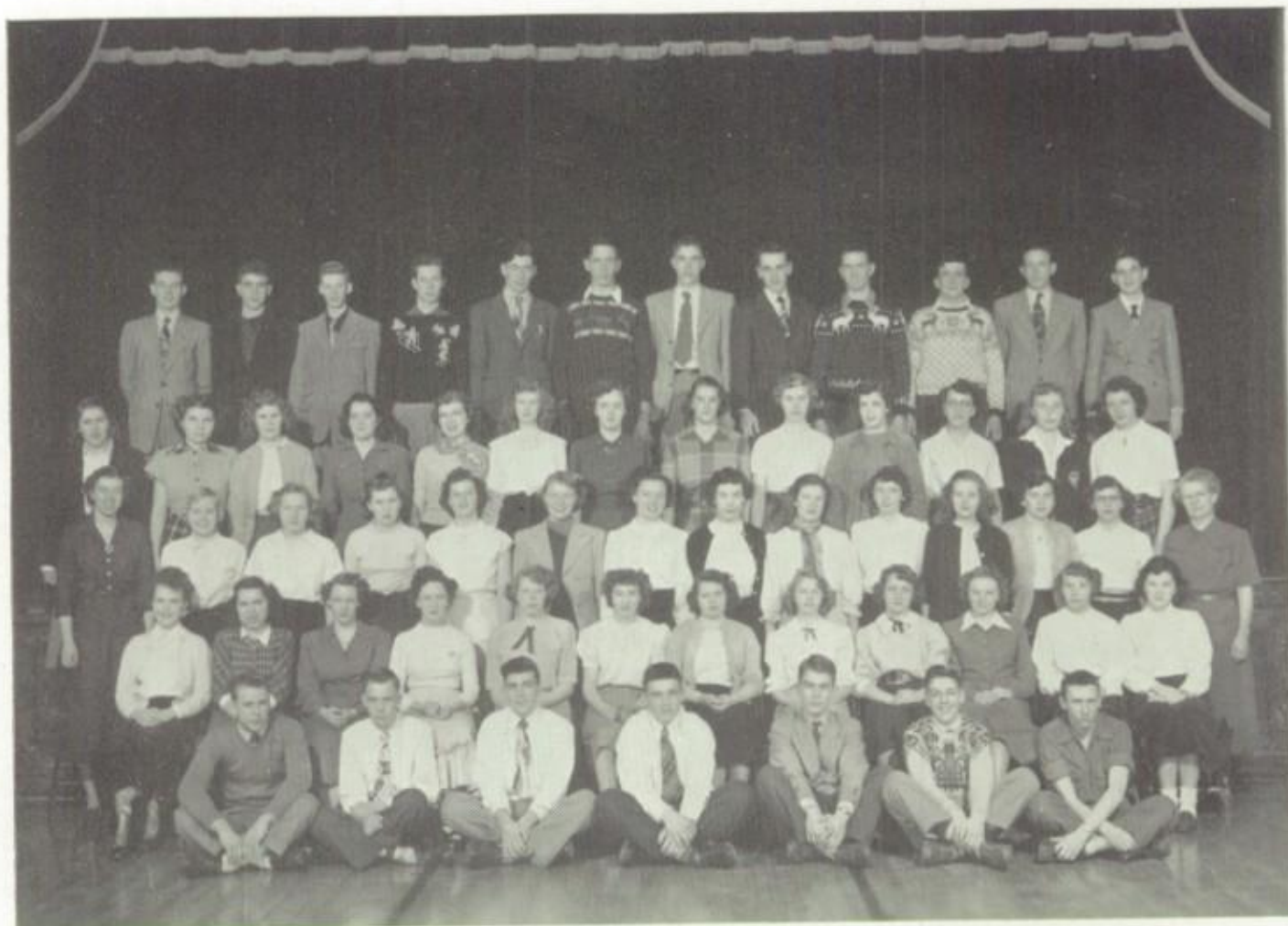
Ellie Edmunds	Most Popular
Ellie Edmunds	Best Looking
Ellie Edmunds	Best Dressed
Marilyn Spaulding	" "
Ellie Edmunds	Best Athlete
Marilyn Spaulding	Best Dancer
Ellie Edmunds	Cutest
	"
Shirley Waite	Wittiest
Shirley Waite	Vamp-Sheik
Ellie Edmunds	Best Figure, Physique
Ellie Edmunds	Most Versatile
Alice Beals	" "
Marilyn Spaulding	" "
Alice Beals	Most Likely To Succeed
Marilyn Spaulding	" " " "

BOY

Wallace Williams
John Sargent
Wallace Williams
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Ed Dexter
John Sargent
Smikey Whittemore
John Sargent
Bob Pilon
Smikey Whittemore
Wallace Williams
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GLEE CLUB



MRS. ALBERTA FISHER, Director

There are twenty-seven sopranos, eleven altos, three tenors, and fifteen basses, in the glee club this year. The group sang at the Senior Play and presented a Christmas Concert.

The Club went Christmas Caroling and then met at Mrs. Fisher's for refreshments.

Wallace Williams, Frederick Rich, and Alice Beals represented the Glee Club at the All-State Festival.

The main event of the year was the Spring Concert presented with the Glee Club of Sunapee High School in a program given at New London and at Sunapee. The program consisted of six selections by the combined clubs, three by each separately, six by the New London Boys' Chorus. Esther Joslin of Sunapee sang a solo. Wallace Williams and Frederick Rich sang a duet, "The Lord's Prayer."

ORCHESTRA



Left to right: Raiph Marshall, Fred Rich, Elinor Young, Berkeley Worthen, Norma Oksa, Georger Edmunds. Second row: Mrs. Alberta Fisher, director; Wallace Williams, Francis Ladouceur, Alice Beals, Laura Homan, accompanist.

Violins: Fred Rich, Raiph Marshall. Clarinets: Norma Oksa, George Edmunds, Berkeley Worthen. Flute: Elinor Young. Trumpets: Wallace Williams, Francis Ladouceur. Trombone: Alice Beals. Piano: Laura Homan.

The orchestra played at the Christmas Concert and Senior Play. They played four selections at the Joint Glee Club Concerts given at New London and Sunapee. Wallace Williams also played a trumpet solo.

Fred Rich and Raiph Marshall represented the orchestra at the All-State Music Festival.

BAND



Left to right: Wallace Williams, Francis Ladouceur, Eliot Clemons, Jerry Allyn, Laurence Rowe, Nancy Rowe, Norma Oksa, George Edmunds, Dale Prew. Second row: Fred Rich, Bruce Spaulding, Berton Murray, John Woodward, Alice Beals, Elinor Young, Mr. Curtiss.

MR. HERWOOD CURTISS, Director

Clarinets: Norma Oksa, George Edmunds, Nancy Rowe. Flute: Elinor Young. Trumpets: Wallace Williams, Eliot Clemons, Francis Ladouceur, Jerry Allyn, Laurence Rowe. Saxophone: Dale Prew. Trombones: Alice Beals, Berton Murray. Alto Horn: John Woodward. Drums: Fred Rich, Bruce Spaulding.

The Band gave a concert consisting of well-known pieces in May at a P. T. A. meeting.

WE ALL HAD A FINGER IN IT



"WE SHOOK THE FAMILY TREE"

Left to right: Betty Call, Janet Lovely, Shirley Waite, Eleanor Edmunds, Marilyn Spaulding, Robert Pilon, Alice Beals, John Sargent, Harold Whittemore, Berton Murray, Wallace Williams and Marilyn Powell.

SOME LIKE TO TALK



Left to right: Elizabeth Willard, Flora Barton, Norma Oksa, Dorothy Colburn, Alice Beals, Barbara Bickford, Faye Chadwick, Anita Colby. Second row: Vernon Squires, Kenneth Rich, George Edmunds, Eliot Clemons, Henry Meinecke, Richard Wry, Berkeley Worthen, Frederick Rich, Bert Gray.

STATE SPEECH TOURNAMENT

Flora Barton, Norma Oksa, Dorothy Colburn, Alice Beals, Barbara Bickford, Anita Colby, Vernon Squires, Kenneth Rich, George Edmunds, Eliot Clemons, Henry Meinecke, Richard Wry, Frederick Rich, and Bert Gray went with Mrs. Arlington Wry and Miss Eleanor Parker to the State Speech Tournament at Durham in January.

They participated in serious declamation, humorous declamation, original oratory, extemporaneous speaking, and impromptu speaking.

Vernon Squires and Kenneth Rich went to the semi-finals in humorous declamation.

PRIZE SPEAKING

Prize speaking this year saw many more contestants than any other year. There were two divisions this year for the first time.

Contestants participating in the serious division were Norma Oksa, Faye Chadwick, Anita Colby, Richard Wry, Frederick Rich, and Alice Beals. The winners were Norma Oksa, first prize; Alice Beals, second prize; Richard Wry, third prize; and Anita Colby, honorable mention.

Contestants participating in the humorous division, were Elizabeth Willard, Flora Barton, Vernon Squires, Kenneth Rich, and Berkeley Worthen. The winners were Vernon Squires first; Flora Barton, second; Kenneth Rich, third; and Berkeley Worthen, honorable mention.

Prizes were presented by Herbert Swift.

ESSAY CONTEST

The subjects for the Essay Contest this year were, "Disease of Prejudice," "World Peace Through God," "Push Button World," "Youth of Today," "Most Unforgettable Experience."

The winners were Anita Colby, first prize; Jean Weber, second prize; Laura Homan, third prize; Richard Wry, George Edmunds, and Alice Beals, honorable mention.

The prizes were awarded by Mrs. Vinita Gay, representing the New London Woman's Club.

The judges were Mrs. Thomas Wistar, Miss Ruth Mellin and Mr. Alphonse Soucy.

STUDENT COUNCIL



Left to right: front, Marguerite Granger, Mr. Livingston, Wallace Williams, President; Dorothy Colburn, Secretary-Treasurer; Eleanor Edmunds, Vice-President; Mabel Granger. Second row: Geraldine Davis, Phillip Dow, Henry Kidder, Glen Powell, and John Adams.

The student council, though only in its first year of operation, has already shown a great deal of progress and promise for years to come.

The student council consists of two members from each class in the High School and two from the Junior High School. With this wide range of representatives, it is certainly sure that the council will go on promoting closer cooperation between the student body and the administration of the school.

CHEERLEADERS



Left to right: front, Janet Witcher, Shirley Patton; back, Barbara Bickford, Sylvia Huntoon, Jayne Pellerin.

Prejudice

By ANITA COLBY

Nigger, Dago, Wop, Jew. Words, yes, words that hurt and words that cut deep. How did they come to be? Where did they start? And who was responsible for them? If dictionaries do not give us the meanings of these words, where can we find them and is there a real meaning? Nigger, Dago, Wop, Jew! They're words taken from the slums of dark city streets, taken and spoken by the aristocrats on the "Hill."

It seems only a short time ago that I heard in a hotel lobby, "Yes, Sir, a room for you? How many, Sir? Four. Yes, Sir and your name? Greenburg! I'm sorry, Sir, we've just sold the last room." He was Jewish! The hotel was restricted. It had no signs, but as plain as can be on the manager's face was written these words, "No Jews allowed."

How long ago was it when you last heard the man on the bus mutter, "Damn Dirty Nigger" when a negro sat on the wrong side of the bus or walked on the sidewalk instead of in the gutter? "The damn wop will never live," words coming from a tall, rough looking man as he drove away from the scene of an accident in the Italian district of Boston. It was only yesterday that Sorority Sisters voted on Maria Montinez. The vote was taken, she'd been black-balled! Why? Well, the President told us in her own words, "We want only Americans in our Club."

Americans? Aren't we all Americans! Wilsons, Goldburg, McDuff, Smith, Pierce, Nichols or John. Maybe your ancestors came here to seek free land two hundred years ago or maybe they have done as Michel's father did only two years ago, came to seek freedom and equality.

Only six years ago weren't well all—all Americans—fighting for this land of ours,—"Land of the Free and Home of the Brave!" We all fought alike—Nigger, Dago, Wop, Jew—and we all died alike! The blood ran freely on both black and white, and God made no choices in which were to die. Why should we?

A disease? Yes! A disease of the people. A disease that has finally developed into an epidemic. It cannot be cured in a day or by hypos and pills. It will take generations to destroy this disease which is so deadly it has covered the whole earth with its long dark arms and called itself "Prejudice."

Doctors tell us, for all diseases there is a cure; it only has to be found. A cure has been found for smallpox. Many years of hard work and long hours now make our lives safe from this disease. Polio, Cancer, Arthritis and Rheumatic Fever are being conquered by scientists every day. Is there a cure for Prejudice? Is there a cure for calling all blacks "Niggers" or repeating such words as "Damn yellow-bellied Jew" and "Dirty Wops"?

I believe there is a cure! It will take years of hard work and a medicine as precious as gold will be used. It was discovered by people many years ago and has been pushed into the corners of books with no regard to its real meaning. "Tolerance" is that medicine, my people, and it must be used as the soul cure of "Prejudice."

But let us stop and think. Of what is this medicine made? Will it be reliable and will it carry us through long spells of fever and days of pain? It is a sure cure and the only cure and for the acids and parts, we too, will devise a formula. Before us we will find four test tubes and we will fill these with precious thoughts to equal "Tolerance", a cure for "Prejudice."

In one tube we put understanding. Understanding because without it, we cannot realize the ways, means and customs of our many "new Americans." They don't want our pity, only our help to get them honest jobs, the peace of mind and equality they looked for in the old country, and, most of all, to be understood and treated as Americans. For, once we have our citizenship papers, we're all Americans, be our skin black, white, yellow or red. But these people cannot be "Good Americans" without our understanding. For without understanding, hate and discontent would reign in our country.

The next tube on the table contains the height of true Democracy, "The Four Freedoms." Freedom of speech, this because few countries offer it. Even in our own country men are being persecuted for expressing their own political views. Freedom of Speech is very important and in our great country new Americans must have it if they are to be good Americans. Freedom of Religion because here we would possess the pearl of true Democracy and freedom. It would stop all the unnecessary ridicule because your skin is dark or your English isn't perfect. Freedom of Religion in itself is a sure cure for the disease of Prejudice. It must be included for without a God somewhere or a belief in the far beyond, we cannot hope ever to cure any disease of any kind. Freedom from Want, want of security, of homes, families and yourself. Freedom from hunger for who is to think of not calling a German a "Nazi," when his stomach is empty because of a war which destroyed his home, family and entire being. (It might be said here that those Germans took both his legs and tore his tongue from its roots because he refused to give out the necessary information.) Is he and his half-starved being going to help us in our fight to strengthen his enemy? No, I don't think so. So we alone must believe for him and must certainly add Freedom from Want to our formula to strengthen its very contents. Freedom From Fear, fear of going to bed at night and waking to find your loved one slaughtered and dead at your feet. Freedom from the fear of a shrill whistle of a bomb coming closer, destroying you and your family, or freedom from the fear of having to live under a government which was not elected "of the people, by the people and for the people." Without freedom from fear we do not see a pretty sight. It's sort of like a television set, switching from one channel to another. First to a hospital crowded with soldiers, at first they had good care, but now as the years grow long and crowded with bloody wars of death and destruction, the wounds give out horrible gangerous smells and nurses and doctors are few. But this isn't a pretty sight, maybe the next will be better, but sad to say, I'm afraid it is not. For we find small children wrinkled and twisted from the effects of an atomic bomb. They are neither happy nor contented, for they fear yet, a new invention, one that is said to be four times as powerful. Maybe they again will be used as gueina pigs, or maybe it will be you the next time. Freedom from Fear is a vital part that cannot be left out. These four freedoms will fill our second tube and as we set it aside in the container, we are very careful for this is a very precious acid.

Into a third tube we will add books, people and the will to learn and it will equal a valuable weapon to fight prejudice. Education. Through education and schools the people of our country can be helped to overcome hates that have grown within them, and their fathers and their fathers before them. Through education and equal standing the negroes may have a whole new outlook on life. They may no longer feel themselves to be the so-called "Under Dog." Education of different religions will bring about a greater appreciation of the other "Guy's" feelings and beliefs, and therefore combat the ever-increasing ridicule of people of different races and religions. We must try to destroy the hate, for it is not real hate, only a habit, such as brushing your teeth. Habits can be broken and this one must be for hate in the hearts of people only leads to distrust and the entire destruction of a great country. Through education we will fight the disease of prejudice.

The fourth and last tube will be filled with "love." Love of a Nigger, Dago, Wop and Jew. "Love thy fellow man" as Christ tells us. For without love we are lost. Understanding, Freedom and Education would only increase the dilemma, for we must add love. It's like making a dress and forgetting to sew it. We must think of friends, for friends, not because they are of our race and religion, not because they are rich and have influence. A Jew or so-called foreigner is just as worthy of our love and friendship as anyone else.

So here we have before us four tubes. Understanding, The Four Freedoms, Education and Love, add them together and we find our cure for Prejudice—Tolerance.

In tolerance we will not inter-marry with different races, but we will treat them as humans and respect the Golden Rule—"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

Still we find the tubes set and ready. And until we find a hand strong enough to combine these forces, we will go on calling a black, a "nigger," and a man of Jewish faith a "Damn Jew."

It is not a pretty sight, but then it was not meant to be pretty. It was meant to sink deep in the hearts of many people who are guilty of bringing this horrible disease of Prejudice. Are you one of them? Are you guilty? Or are you with me in combining the forces of Tolerance to cure the disease of Prejudice?

Let us bring about true Freedom and strike these words from our ever-changing modern world,—“Nigger — Dago — Wop — Jew.”

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